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Approved April 10th, 1918.

## NO. 15.

JOINT RESOLUTION requesting the Senators and Representatives in the Congress of the United States from the State of Maryland to use all honorable means to secure the passage of appropriate federal legislation for the taking over by the Federal Government of the Old Susquehanna and Tidewater Canal from Havre de Grace, Maryland, to the Mason and Dixon Line, for the transportation of freight and particularly of coal.

WHEREAS, the Susquehanna and Tidewater Canal from Havre de Grace, Maryland, to the Mason and Dixon Line extends into the coal fields of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, more than one hundred years ago, the State of Maryland spent more than one million dollars on the building of this waterway, which could be rehabilitated and used for the transportation of freight and particularly of coal; and

Whereas, because of the freight congestion on all railways, due to the transportation of war material and equipment, there is great need for an adequate carrier of coal from the coal fields to the State of Maryland; and

Whereas, everything possible should be done to relieve the railways of transportation which can be carried by water; and and

WHEREAS, it is believed that the Old Susquehanna and Tidewater Canal could be rehabilitated at a comparatively slight expense in comparison with the benefits to be derived therefrom; therefore be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Senators and Representatives of the Congress of the United States from the State of Maryland be and they are hereby requested to use all honorable means to have the said Susquehanna and Tidewater Canal taken over, rehabilitated and oper-